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HOUSE BILL 2365

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 36-2204, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:
2 Section 1. Section 36-2204, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 36-2204. Medical control

5 The medical director of emergency medical services and the emergency
6 medical services council shall recommend to the director the following
7 standards and criteria ~~which THAT~~ pertain to the quality of emergency patient
8 care:

9 1. Statewide standardized training, certification and recertification
10 standards for all classifications of emergency medical technicians.

11 2. A standardized and validated testing procedure for all
12 classifications of emergency medical technicians.

13 3. Medical standards for certification and recertification of training
14 programs for all classifications of emergency medical technicians.

15 4. Standardized continuing education criteria for all classifications
16 of emergency medical technicians.

17 5. Medical standards for certification and recertification of
18 certified emergency receiving facilities and advanced life support base
19 hospitals and approval of physicians providing medical control or medical
20 direction for any level of emergency medical technicians who are required to
21 be under medical control or medical direction.

22 6. Standards and mechanisms for monitoring and ongoing evaluation of
23 performance levels of all classifications of emergency medical technicians,
24 emergency receiving facilities and advanced life support base hospitals and
25 approval of physicians providing medical control or medical direction for any
26 level of emergency medical technicians who are required to be under medical
27 control or medical direction.

28 7. Objective criteria and mechanisms for decertification of all
29 classifications of emergency medical technicians, emergency receiving
30 facilities and advanced life support base hospitals and for disapproval of
31 physicians providing medical control or medical direction for any level of
32 emergency technicians who are required to be under medical control or medical
33 direction.

34 8. Medical standards for nonphysician pre-hospital treatment and
35 pre-hospital triage of patients requiring emergency medical services.

36 9. Standards for emergency medical dispatcher training, including
37 prearrival instructions. For the purposes of this paragraph, "emergency
38 medical dispatch" means the receipt of calls requesting emergency medical
39 services and the response of appropriate resources to the appropriate
40 location.

41 10. Standards for a quality assurance process for components of the
42 emergency medical services system, including standards for maintaining the
43 confidentiality of the information considered in the course of quality
44 assurance and the records of the activities of quality assurance process
45 pursuant to section 36-2401.

1 11. Standards for ambulance service and medical transportation that
2 give consideration to the differences between urban, rural and wilderness
3 areas.

4 12. STANDARDS TO ALLOW AN AMBULANCE TO TRANSPORT A PATIENT TO A HEALTH
5 CARE INSTITUTION THAT IS LICENSED AS A SPECIAL HOSPITAL AND THAT IS
6 PHYSICALLY CONNECTED TO AN EMERGENCY RECEIVING FACILITY.

7 Sec. 2. Emergency

8 This act is an emergency measure that is necessary to preserve the
9 public peace, health or safety and is operative immediately as provided by
10 law.